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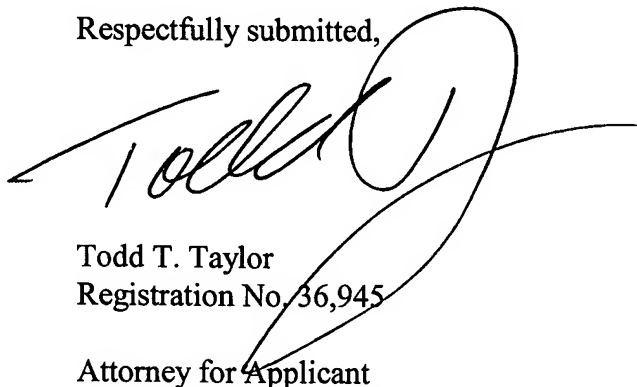
A copy of each of these documents can be found in the parent application, i.e., U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/996,304.

Patent Document No. DE 197 16 647 A1 and DE 195 13 531 A1 are each discussed in the specification of the present application.

The literature entitled "Industrie-Lackier-Betrieb" relates to an apparatus and method referring to an applicator unit for the application of fillers onto a sheet surface, i.e. a particle board, whereby the development of advantageous filler materials has brought the primary coating of various sheet materials by means of flat coating machines (spatula type machines) into the foreground. Today's designs of the spatula type machines which have been in operation for many years, ensure vibration mark free surfaces due to the chainless drive transfer. The automatic material return from the smoothing roll meets all expectations. Today's equipment also includes appropriate special pumps for the coating material supply.

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